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- 1. At the beginning of the Bermuda conference Mac Tse-tung advised the Soviet Ambassador of the following possibilities for Communist China: first, taking its own steps to secure recognition in case Soviet support fails to achieve the objective; second, no support for UK mediation between Communist China and the US; third, unlimited efforts, without any Soviet intervention, to pursue conversations with the US in the hope of an alteration of opinion in favor of Communist China in view of the latter's enormous need for goods of all kinds.
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- 2. The Soviet Ambassador made mention of the enormous cost of holding an international conference. Communist China thereupon offered to meet 50 percent of the costs if the USSR could persuade the West to agree to a five power conference.

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